

REMARKS

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated August 18, 2009.

The Office Action first reports that claims 1-41 and 55-68 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101. With this amendment, independent claims 1 and 24, as well as claim 55 have been amended in a manner believed to overcome the rejection. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

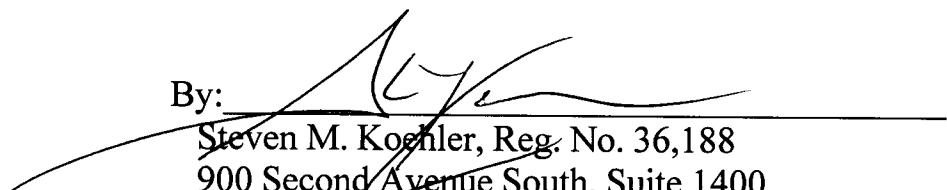
Applicant respectfully thanks the Examiner for the indication that all of the pending claims are allowable.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application as amended. Withdrawal of the rejections and allowance of the pending claims is solicited.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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